

SWIMMER DROWNS IN N. UMPQUA RIVER

PUC Asks Court To Order Resumption Of S.P. Train

Judge Requests Attorneys For Commission, Railroad To Appear For Conference

SALEM (AP) — Public Utilities Commissioner Charles H. Heltzel asked Circuit Judge Val Sloper Monday to force the Southern Pacific Railroad to resume operation of its "Rogue River" passenger train between Portland and Ashland.

Judge Sloper then asked attorneys for Heltzel and the railroad to appear for a conference at 1 p.m. Monday.

The train was taken off the route after completing its run Sunday morning. It provided the only passenger service between Eugene and Ashland, via Roseburg, Grants Pass and Medford.

Heltzel issued an order last week to compel the S.P. to keep on running the train until he investigates and holds a hearing.

The railroad did not obey the order, arguing that Heltzel doesn't have jurisdiction.

The S.P. says it is losing \$500,000 a year on the train.

Heltzel said that in his investigation, he will study proposals for substitute service for the "Rogue River."

Service Split Proposed

These proposals will include: 1. Splitting the "Klamath," which handles local business on the main line, which runs via Klamath Falls. This idea would have one section run between Eugene and Dunsmuir, Calif., via the Siskiyou line through Ashland. It not only would give the same service as provided by the "Rogue River," but also would restore the service between Southern Oregon and California. This latter service was cancelled several years ago.

2. Operate self-propelled rail cars, connecting with steamers at Eugene and Dunsmuir.

3. Change the route of the "Klamath" to the Siskiyou line for its entire distance between Portland and Oakland, Calif.

4. Add a new train to operate over that route.

Proposals Based On Law

Heltzel said he is basing his position on two sections of the law.

One section requires railroads to maintain adequate service.

The other prohibits railroads from discriminating against any communities. He said that cancellation of the train discriminates against Roseburg, Grants Pass, Medford, Ashland and many towns along the line; that it favors Oakridge, Westfir and Klamath Falls, which are on the main line, served by three daily trains each way.

J. R. McCullough, chief commission counsel, said the Southern Pacific is subject to daily fines from \$100 to \$1,000 for each day the trains do not run.

Four Drown On Fishing Trip Near Crescent City

ORESCENT CITY, Calif. (AP) — Two Phoenix, Ariz., doctors and two sons of one of them were lost on a fishing expedition Sunday.

Their overturned boat and one body, not identified, were found some seven miles north of Klamath.

Dr. Fred W. Holmes, 33, his father, Dr. Fred G. Holmes, 65, and two of the younger man's sons, 8 and 10 years old, had set off in the boat at the mouth of the Klamath River early Saturday on a salmon fishing trip.

POPE'S SISTER DIES

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Vatican sources reported today that Josephine Pacelli, 84-year-old sister of Pope Pius XII, died Sunday night after a long illness. These sources said Miss Pacelli had been paralyzed for more than 20 years.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

As this is written, America's emotions are deeply stirred by the case of Eugene Landy, the 21-year-old honor graduate of the U. S. merchant marine academy who was denied a naval reserve commission because his widowed mother was once a communist.

On the face of what we know — which is very little — it doesn't seem fair to us that the sins of the parent should be visited upon the child.

At any rate, Landy hasn't lacked influential friends.

Senator Herbert Lehman, a noted (and, I think, a sincere) liberal, is demanding a full report on his case from the navy. Senator H. Alexander Smith of New Jersey, not a professional liberal, but a fair and able senator — took up the case at once and has just notified Landy that the navy will re-

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The Weather

Fair tonight and Tuesday. Little change in temperature.

Highest temp. last 24 hours — 88

Lowest temp. last 24 hours — 43

Highest temp. any August — 106

Lowest temp. any August — 39

Precip. last 24 hours — .1

Precip. from Aug. 1 — 1.7

Precip. from Sept. 1 — 22.57

Deficiency from Sept. 1 — 7.62

Sunrise tonight, 7:26 a.m.
Sunset tomorrow, 5:11 p.m.

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Atom Conference Opens At Geneva

Peaceful Use Of Titanic Energy Goal

Eisenhower Sends Message Reaffirming American Aid Pledge

By FRANK CAREY
AP Science Reporter

GENEVA (AP)—Indian scientist Homi J. Bhabha opened the first International Atomic Energy Conference today with the prediction that the way will be found to harness the titanic energy of the hydrogen bomb for peaceful use within 10 years.

Bhabha, president of the 72-nation scientific parley, said: "When that happens, the energy problems of the world will truly have been solved forever, for fuel will be as plentiful as heavy hydrogen in the oceans."

Bhabha spoke at hundreds of delegates gathered at the opening plenary session of the conference just 19 years and one day after the first atom bomb leveled Hiroshima.

The conference in the Palace of Nations, designed to parade atomic energy in its role as an ally of industry and a potential boon to agriculture and medicine, will continue until Aug. 20. The scientists will hear hundreds of papers on technical phases of peaceful use of atomic energy. Hundreds of other papers submitted for the conference will be published for study later.

The opening session also received a message from President Eisenhower, whose historic address was broadcast here.

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Sex Maniac Suspected In Murder Of Socialite

KANSAS CITY (AP)—Discovery of the nude body of Mrs. Wilma Allen, 34-year-old socialite, touched off an intensive two-state search today for her killer, possibly a sex maniac.

The body was found in a pasture 20 miles southwest of here Sunday, three days after she mysteriously disappeared while shopping in Kansas City. She had been seen twice in the head and her hands were tied behind her back with a pink scarf.

She was the mother of two young sons. Her husband is William H. Allen, wealthy automobile dealer. Officers in Missouri and Kansas believe she was murdered, possibly attributed to a sex motive. Robbery, however, was not ruled out. Her rings were missing and her purse, found several miles from the body, was empty.

The body was in the same general area where 6-year-old Bobby Greenlee was murdered two years ago after being kidnapped by Carl Austin Hall and Mrs. Bonnie Brown Heady. The child was the son of another wealthy Kansas City automobile dealer, Robert C. Greenlee. Hall and Mrs. Heady were executed.

New Count Hits Heiress Once Freed Of Murder

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP)—A 36-year-old heiress, acquitted in 1947 of murder charges in the yacht explosion deaths of her parents in Newport Beach, Calif., has been arrested on a drunk driving charge.

Sheriff's deputies said Mrs. Beulah Louise Overell Koyman and her 4-year-old son escaped injury when her car overturned Saturday. Her husband Joseph is a sewing machine representative here.

Eight years ago she and a boy friend were accused of planting dynamite in the yacht of her parents.

The boy friend, George (Bud) Gollum, also was acquitted in the deaths of the Overells.

Group Trying To Save Dewey's Famous Ship

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—The USS Olympia will be scrapped unless a permanent berth for the historic ship is found soon, the chairman of the Committee for the Preservation of the Olympia said Sunday.

The ship, commanded by Commodore George Dewey in the battle of Manila Bay during the Spanish-American War, is temporarily berthed at a City of Philadelphia pier. It has been scheduled for the wrecker's torches last month when the city volunteered the temporary berth.

Chairman Henry D. Learned of the preservation committee said the 27-year battle to preserve the cruiser as a historic shrine appeared near an end.



AARON BOE has been appointed sales manager of radio station KRNR, replacing Warren Ward, who resigned. Boe has been associated with station KFLW at Klamath Falls in the same capacity and has been with the Southern Oregon Publishing Co. for nine years.

Soviet Air Crash Claims 25 Lives

MOSCOW (AP)—Pravda Monday published news of one of Russia's worst known air disasters in recent years—the fiery crash of a Soviet airliner which claimed the lives of 25 persons, including 10 Norwegian women.

It was the first time in years that the Soviet press has reported such an accident. The brief dispatch on page three of the Communist Party organ said the tragedy occurred Saturday near Voronezh, 290 miles southeast of Moscow.

The women were members of Norwegian political parties who had accepted a Soviet invitation to visit Russia. The remaining victims were Russians, five of them crewmen.

Myrtle Creek Rodeo's Queen And Court Named

Marrietta Wilfong of Myrtle Creek will reign over the annual Myrtle Creek Saddle Pals Rodeo Sept. 4 and 5.

She was selected at the rodeo grounds in trout Sunday. Her princesses will be Nova Dumont and Evelyn Dyer, according to a report from correspondent Ruth M. Evans.

Miss Wilfong, the 1955 queen, is a sophomore at Myrtle Creek High School. She is 16 and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Wilfong.

She was acclaimed as the new queen on the basis of appearance, horsemanship and a good equipment. Horsemanship counted 50 per cent in the judging.

Princess Nova, 15, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Dumont. She is a sophomore at the high school. Princess Evelyn, 18, is a sophomore at the University of Oregon.

Dedication Held Of New VA Building

Unit Costing \$150,000 First Addition Built For Hospital Since '36

Approximately 200 people turned out Sunday afternoon at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Roseburg to take part in the dedication of a new \$150,000 building.

Dedicated was a new physical medicine rehabilitation building, the first major hospital addition since 1936.

Featured speaker was David Shaw of San Francisco, VA area chief of physical medicine and rehabilitation work. Other speakers included Dr. George L. Wadsworth, hospital manager, and Charles V. Stanton, editor of The News-Review.

Various local chapters of veterans' organizations were represented at the ceremony and several state officers of the American Legion attended. Legion officials attending with their wives included Jack Larson of Springfield, state commander; Joe McDonald of Portland, state adjutant; George Shaw of Gresham, state service officer, and Glen Howe of Portland, assistant service officer.

Among the VA guests present were Charles Langdon of Portland, manager of the regional office, and C. K. Ruchmann, resident engineer who directed work on the new building, representative of the VA central office.

Opening of the new building brings expanded physical therapy facilities to patients. The physical medicine rehabilitation work at the local hospital is headed by Dr. Arthur S. Anderson, who acted as master of ceremonies at the dedication.

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Benefit Affair Dated For Injured Rodeo Rider

A benefit dance and playday will be held Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 13 and 14, in Cottage Grove for Donnie Pylett, who was injured in a rodeo at Yoncalla, July 4. He is still unconscious and in critical condition at Sacred Heart Hospital in Eugene.

The dance will be held Saturday night at 9 at the VFW hall in Cottage Grove. Tickets may be purchased from club members or at the door.

The playday will be Sunday starting at 10 a.m. at the rodeo grounds. Admission will be by contributions at the gates as cars enter the grounds. Jackpot roping, wild cow tying, barrel races and stake races are a few of the events that will take place.

The benefit will be sponsored by the Cottage Grove Riding Club.

TWO MEN INJURED

Weekend accidents sent two men to Douglas Community Hospital. Both were reported in "good" condition Monday.

Albert M. Waldo, 42, Box 146 104th St., suffered a sprained back Saturday. He told attendants he slipped on a log while working. He is employed by the Young Logging Co.

Levi Lewis, 47, a fruit picker from Seattle, was taken to the hospital Friday. He said he fell from a ladder. He suffered a broken left leg.



SEARCHING the waters of the North Umpqua River about two miles above Glide Sunday were diver Lyle Hutson, right, and the two boatmen in the rubber raft above. Aiding Hutson were Howard Eaton, a Funderburk Construction Co. superintendent, and Bill Sterling, right, above, of Davis Industrial Supply. The men spent six hours Sunday searching for the body of Robert Fields, a drowning victim. (See other picture, Page 2. (Paul Jenkins picture.)

Judge Wimberly Noted In Courtroom Photo Nod

Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly of Roseburg has been named to the "honor roll of judges who believe in a free press" in the National Press Photographer, a trade magazine for press photographers.

The selection to the "honor roll" came as the result of Judge Wimberly permitting the first courtroom pictures ever to be made by any paper in the state to be taken. That was in 1951 in a series of murder trials.

Judge Wimberly had previously permitted flash pictures in the courtroom during recesses. Later, on request of a News-Review photographer, Judge Wimberly granted permission to experiment with non-flash pictures ever to be made by any paper in the state to be taken.

The photographer took his camera into the courtroom during preliminary stages of the first case but did not use it, in an attempt to accustom spectators and principles to it. He then worked unobtrusively from a seat reserved for him outside the rail.

The system worked very well, and since, such metropolitan papers as the Oregon Journal and Portland Oregonian have used the method.

Saturday's 98 Hottest Day Of Current Year

Central Douglas County residents sweltered Saturday.

When the day was ended, the weatherman had chalked up a high of 98 degrees at 4 p.m. It was the hottest day, to date, of 1955.

The 98-degree mark nearly set a new record for an Aug. 6. The top figure was recorded in 1902 when 99 was jotted down by the weatherman.

But the figure was still some distance from the high of any August day — 104 in 1942. And Sunday, the thermometer dropped to a cool 88!

Ontario's Worst Forest Fires Still Baffle Fighters

TORONTO (AP)—An army of more than 4,000 men, including volunteers from all walks of life, is fighting the worst forest fires in the history of Ontario.

Already millions of dollars in timber have burned. Despite the efforts of the fire fighters, only heavy rains can end the destruction.

The fires first sighted April 1 are in their fifth month. Upward of 125 separate blazes have laid waste more than 200,000 acres. Daily from 10 to 15 fires are reported raging out of control.

Within a month after the first smoke warning, the forest service had 2,000 of its regular force and 2,000 others into the firelines. But hot weather and no rains proved an implacable enemy. The flames burrowed a foot below ground, making the earth scorching hot. Entire streams dried up. Lightning fired new blazes.

Of the 2,000 men who supplement the regular fighting force half are volunteers. The others were summoned to duty under emergency powers of the Ontario Department of Lands and Forests. Among them are miners, clerks, loggers, salesmen and fifth month. Upward of 125 separate blazes have laid waste more than 200,000 acres. Daily from 10 to 15 fires are reported raging out of control.

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Robt. Fields, Newcomer Here, Victim

Tragedy, Seen By Wife, Children, Ends Picnic; Search On For Body

Cook Joe Bella and his wife watched some picnickers late Saturday afternoon from the window of the Red Barn, on the North Umpqua River, above Glide and, then turned away from the window.

Moments later, the happy family picnic became a tragedy when Robert B. Fields, 33, of 4226 N. Stephens St., Roseburg, drowned before the eyes of his wife and three children.

Sheriff's deputies and volunteers were still searching the river from a point above the Lone Rock Bridge, where the man was last seen, down the North Umpqua to the old Lone Rock Bridge.

Sheriff Ira Byrd said today that new nets were being stretched across the river and that skin diving and dragging of the river will continue today.

Byrd said Fields and his family were picnicking at the old Hatfield campsite just above the new bridge. He said the victim apparently was swimming and got cramps. A friend, Bill Weeks, tried to save him and had him almost to an island in the river when he slipped away while Fields' family looked on aghast.

Fields was the ninth drowning victim in 1955 in Douglas County. He also added another statistic to probably the most violent two weeks in county history. With his death, 14 people had died violently in the county in 11 days.

Fields and his family had just recently come to Roseburg from California. He was a recent employee of the Acme Roofing Co. Water Handicap Met.

Although darkness fell Saturday night before retrieving operations could progress far, diving and dragging operations started at 7 a.m. Sunday, according to Glide correspondent Mrs. Arthur Selby. Diving in a skin diving outfit for six hours Sunday, Lyle Hutson, 32, Portland, found no trace of the body. He is an employee of Harding Blasting Co., now working on road construction in the Steamboat area.

Hutson said the water at this point is deceptive in that it appears shallow but is swift below the surface. He said the water in some places reaches a depth of 35 or 40 feet.

Hutson was expected to be back on the scene today and sheriff's deputies were rigging up a net across the river between the bridge and Glide.

Fields' wife and children were staying with friends today.

Oregon Waters Claim Lives Of Two Youths

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Jimmy Steinborn, about 12, drowned Saturday in the Calapooya River at Brownsville. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Steinborn, Brownsville, the boy had gone to the river with a younger brother and a friend to fish and swim. The body was recovered shortly after the accident.

Daniel Dale Roberts, 18, drowned in Willow Lake Sunday when a log, on which he was floating, got away from him. He couldn't swim.

Two Boys Save Life Of Third From River

OREGON CITY (AP)—Two youngsters were credited Sunday with saving the life of a 13-year-old swimming companion in the Clackamas River near Carver.

Craig Nasmyth of Portland, became exhausted while swimming and went under. A companion, Harold Kaarhus, 9-year-old Portland, swam to the rescue. With the help of Ellen Oller, 16, of Beaverton, the Nasmyth boy was brought to shore and revived.

Vagrancy Charge Trails Failure To Pass Check

Roseburg police held four persons on vagrancy charges over the weekend, and all were scheduled to appear in municipal court today.

Officers jailed Jesse Wilson Morrison and his wife, Juanita, Saturday afternoon after the manager of the Safeway Store refused to cash a \$20 check for them. They were arrested in a tavern. They gave their address as Riverside, Calif.

Two girls, both living in a local hotel, were arrested in a cafe Saturday evening when police became suspicious of their activities. Officers identified them as Beverly J. Robertson, 20, and a 17-year-old companion now on probation from juvenile court.

STILL TOUGH AT 87

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Mrs. Essie Madsen suffered only minor cuts and bruises when hit by an automobile while running to catch a streetcar. Mrs. Madsen is 87.

Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Now that the "Nightcrawler" has finally wriggled its way to extinction, a sizeable proportion of our population can fire all of its bars at the local television system.